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SUBJ: ENERGY: NIOC DOMESTIC REFINERY PLANS

1. NIOC BOARD MEMBER RAMAZANIA DESCRIBED CURRENT NIOC PLANS FOR EXPANSION OF DOMESTIC REFINING CAPACITY AS FOLLOWS: (A) TOTAL TEHRAN REFINING CAPACITY, FOLLOWING DEBOTTLENECKING OF FIRST REFINERY AND BRINGING 100,000 B/D SECOND REFINERY ON STREAM (BOTH NEARING COMPLETION), WILL BE 220,000 B/D; (B) CONTRACT FOR CONSTRUCTION OF 80,000 B/D TABRIZ REFINERY HAS BEEN AWARDED TO SNAM-PROGETTI OF ITALY; (C) NEXT PROJECT WILL BE TO DUPLICATE SECOND TEHRAN REFINERY (PLANS AND RIGHTS OF WHICH NIOC HAS BROUGHT FROM FLUOR) AT ISFAHAN; (D) SUBSEQUENT PROJECT MAY BE ANOTHER DUPLICATION OF SECOND TEHRAN REFINERY TO BE BUILT IN THE ARAK-KHORRAM-ABAD AREA. PREVIOUS PLANS TO CONSTRUCT 130,000 B/D FUELS REFINERY AT NEKA ON CASPIAN TO SUPPLY PROGRAMMED THERMOELECTRIC PLANT APPARENTLY SUPPLANTED BY PLAN TO BRING SARAKHS GAS BY PIPELINE FOR

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THIS PURPOSE. EXACT TIMING OF PROJECTS NOT CLEAR, BUT THEY MUST

BE BEGUN SOON TO KEEP UP WITH GROWTH OF DOMESTIC CONSUMPTION.

2. COMMERCE MAY WISH TO CALL THIS OUTLINE OF PLANNED CONSTRUCTION TO ATTENTION OF QUALIFIED US FIRMS. HOWEVER, EMBASSY WOULD PREFER IT NOT BE PUBLISHED BECAUSE IT HAS NOT BEEN MADE PUBLIC HERE. NIOC SOURCE INTIMATED FLUOR MAY HAVE INSIDE TRACK ON PROJECTS (C) AND (D) ABOVE IF ITS PRICE IS RIGHT.

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